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FOR SCICOUNS VROBALOVICH FROM GERALD EDWARDS, NSF

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: TPHY OSCI TGEN IN

SUBJECT: SAVING OF FUEL BY DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

REF: LETTER OF DECEMBER 9, 1976, FROM SCICOUNS  
VROBALOVICH TO DR. GERALD A. EDWARDS, NSF

1. SUMMARY. "ADVANCING CLOCK TO USE MORE DAY TIME"  
SUGGESTED BY DR. R.D. DESHPANDE, DST, DOES NOT SEEM  
EFFECTIVE IN SAVING FUEL.

2. DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME STUDY, VOLUMES 1 AND 2, JULY 1975,  
REPORT OF SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION TO CONGRESS HAS FOL-  
LOWING FINDINGS:

- A. ENERGY- ELECTRICITY USE DECREASED ABOUT 1 PER  
CENT; NO APPRECIABLE REDUCTION IN USE OF GASOLINE

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- OR HEATING OIL.
- B. TRAFFIC- FATALITIES REDUCED 1/2 TO 1 PER CENT.
- C. CRIME- REDUCTION OF ABOUT 10 TO 13 PER CENT IN  
VIOLENT CRIMES IN DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, BUT NO  
EFFECT IN LOS ANGELES.

- D. HOME HEATING- SAVING OF LESS THAN 0.1 PER CENT.

- E. PUBLIC OPINION- 51 TO 54 PER CENT REACTED

- FAVORABLY, 28 TO 38 PER CENT NEGATIVELY, AND

- 21 TO 9 PER CENT NEUTRAL IN TWO POLLS.

3. JANUARY 1976 REPORT TO CONGRESS ON YEAR ROUND DAY-LIGHT SAVING TIME NOT AVAILABLE AT NSF BUT REPORTEDLY SHOWS 3/4 TO 1 PER CENT REDUCTION IN USE OF ELECTRICITY.

4. WORLD WAR 2 REPORTS NOT AVAILABLE AT NSF BUT RESULTS BELIEVED TO BE ABOUT SAME.

5. U.S. CONGRESS HAS ESTABLISHED UNIFORM REGULATIONS ON DATE TO BEGIN AND END DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BUT GIVES INDIVIDUAL STATES OPTION ON WHETHER TO USE STANDARD OR DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME.

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